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RESPONSE

In response to the Examiner's action mailed April 30, 1998, please amend the application as follows.

In the claims:

Claim 10, line 9, delete "199".

Please add the following new claim.

14. (new) The method of claim 10 wherein the step of selecting includes selecting the first word in the database having the same first phoneme and 199 following words in the database to form the sub-list.

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 and new claim 14 are pending with claims 1, 7, 8, and 10 being independent. The Examiner has rejected claims 1-13 as anticipated by Hutchins.

Claims 1 and 7

Claims 1 and 7 are directed to adding a word to a speech recognition vocabulary. A spelling of the word is used to generate possible phonetic pronunciations of the word. The possible pronunciation that best matches an utterance of the word

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